2002 - 2003

WISCONSIN WATER & WASTEWATER FUNDING SOURCES & ASSISTANCE

Organization USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT (Rural Utility Service)

Program Title Water and Wastewater Grant and Loan Program

Eligible Applicants Cities, villages, tribes, sanitary districts and towns in rural areas with a

population up to 10,000.

Grant, Loan Or Other Type Of

Program

Grants and loans.

Eligible Project Type

Loan and grants to construct, improve, or modify municipal drinking water and wastewater systems, storm sewers, and solid waste disposal facilities.

Funding Available Per Year Per Program

Fiscal Year 2002 allocations for Wisconsin:

Loan: \$18,281,000.Grant: \$10,036,000.

Fiscal Year 2003 allocations: Unknown.

Maximum Grant/Loan

Maximum Loan: 100% of project cost.

Maximum Grant *:

• 75% of project if MHI < \$24,001 and health and sanitary problem exists.

• 45% of project if MHI < \$30,001.

• 0% of project if MHI > \$30,000.

Grant Criteria:

Median household income (MHI).

User rates.

Debt repayment ability.

* MHI will change when 2000 census becomes effective.

Typical Application Cycle

Applications accepted throughout fiscal year (Oct. 1 - Sept. 30). Applicants are notified of status within 45 days.

Estimated Time To Prepare

Application

Once preliminary engineering report is completed, time to complete preapplication is nominal. Time to process application varies and may take up to

a year. Loan-only projects may be fast-tracked.

Major Application Criteria

Priority to municipalities with a population less than 5,500, projects serving low-income communities, and projects necessary to alleviate a health or sanitary

problem.

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Additional Comments

Maximum loan term is 40 years. Bonds can be pledge of revenue, special assessment, or general obligation. There is a credit test requirement.

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